

### CLUB SERVICE

4-Way Test—Ellen Priest  
4-Way Test Next Week - Bob Byrne  
Program— Bill Taylor  
February Greeters- Peggy Ford & Collette Ball  
February Invocation-William Price

### CLUB MAKEUPS

## Margarita Make-Ups

*The Stables at Rose Hill*

*5:15 pm - 6:15pm*

*Last Wednesday of each month*

*February 28th*

*March 28th • April 25th*

*May 30th • June 27th*

*Remember to turn-in your Make-up  
to the Sergeant-at-Arms You don't need a make-up!!  
Just come spend time with fellow Rotarians*

### GUEST

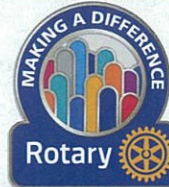
Natalie Bolen	student guest
Brynne Berry	student guest
George Gymer	APS
Dennis Gillian	guest speaker
Wilkins Byrd	Robert Stack
Cheryl Tyson	Kim Enouch
Bill Reynolds	Robert Stack
Mary Allen	Thomas Herlong
Tara McMillen	Robert Stack
Sharon McMillen	Robert Stack
Debbie Edlen	Will Williams
Rand Hannah	Bill Tucker

## Save The Date



March 9th at 6:00pm  
Rotary Spring Social  
Spaghetti & Meatball  
Dinner!

More Details to Come!



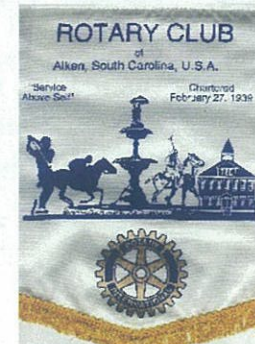
**Rotary Club of Aiken**  
PO Box 685  
Aiken, SC 29802  
(803) 648-5676  
Monday, 12:30 PM  
Newberry Hall  
117 Newberry Street, SW  
www.aikenrotary.com  
R.I. President  
John Germ  
District Governor  
Ed Irick  
Club President  
John McMichael  
President Elect  
Will Williams  
Vice President  
John Lindsay  
Past President  
Jason Stewart  
Secretary/Treasurer  
Rachel L. d'Entremont  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
Richard Holley  
Assistant Governor  
Carol Burdette

**Board of Directors**  
Al Sorensen (2017)  
Ellen Priest (2017)  
Grant Wiseman (2017)  
John Lindsay (2018)  
Rick McLeod (2018)  
Jennifer Hart (2018)  
Chrissa Matthews (2019)  
Betty Ryberg (2019)  
David Tavernier (2019)

**Sergeants-at-Arms**  
Chair: Richard Holley  
Robert Stack  
Rachel d' Entremont  
Richard Herring  
Jeff Baumgardner  
Josh Booth

# THE GEAR

FEBRUARY 5, 2018



## Rotary Club of Aiken



Chartered February 27, 1939  
Club 6187—District 7750  
Volume 51, Number 24

Editor: Tara Reeder - tara@howellprinting.net

### PROGRAM LAST WEEK by Rev. Bob Byrne



Dennis Gillian, a motivational speaker on the topic of suicide; how it touched his life; how he has dealt with its impact and his message to reverse the trends of its growth; provided an interesting program for January 29th. Gillian's life was impacted by the suicide first of his oldest brother and then his youngest brother during his college studies and eleven years after graduation from West Virginia University. His initial response to the pain and grief at the loss of his oldest brother was to mask emotional pain in alcohol

abuse. The same response led his youngest brother to his own suicide and shocked Dennis into more constructive responses; sobriety and the help of mental health professionals. His message is to seek such help when each of us has the need and to use whatever means employers offer. He also shared the signs of those close to committing suicide; some gathered from his life experiences and some from work as a suicide hotline volunteer. The message; to be aware and be a positive force to help others; to prevent a choice that can not be reversed